

## What About Climate Change?

Today the world is becoming more concerned about global warming and climate change: increases in temperatures of the earth's surface, oceans, and atmosphere; melting glaciers, ice, and snow; record high temperatures in many places; wildfires; tornadoes; extreme winds; flooding, etc. In the face of these reports, what are we to think?

First, let us remember, the earth is the Lord's. God made the world and everything in it, and, although He gave man stewardship of the earth, He retains ultimate control of His creation; He gives and He takes away. Also, we know that, historically, climates have followed cycles — separate from human activity. However, we do have the responsibility to use the world but not to overuse or ravage it. We must be wise and faithful guardians.

Dear friends, God knew how much to create and how long it needed to last. Remember His faithful covenant with mankind following the flood: "While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, Cold and heat, Winter and summer, And day and night shall not cease." Genesis 8:22.

Someday the earth's climate *will* ultimately change. The heavens will pass away and this earth and its works will be burned up! The great question before us is, "Since all these will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought we to be in holy conduct and godliness?" In Christ, we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells! 2 Peter 3. Are we ready?

- Albert E. Farley, Editor, *West Virginia Christian*, Pennsboro, WV (August, 2023) -  
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## Made For Another World

C.S. Lewis once wrote, "If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world."

We know that we were made for another world. Scripture teaches it. Our own experience testifies to it. The Psalmist wrote, "As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?" (Ps. 42:1-2).



This world is not all that there is to reality. All of us will be somewhere forever (Matt. 25:31-46; John 5:28-29; Heb. 9:27).

Do you find yourself with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy? Rest assured that such is because you were created by a loving God who longs to welcome you into his presence (Luke 15:20). You were made for another world.

- Bart Warren, South Green Street church of Christ, Glasgow, KY (*Bulletin Digest*) -

*A world in darkness needs the light of the Gospel.*

## News & Notes

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Next Saturday, Sept. 2nd, 8:00 a.m. at EJ's.

**COVERED DISH DINNER:** Next Sunday, Sept. 3rd, about noon at the Fellowship Building followed by our early afternoon service at 2:00 p.m. at the church building

**LABOR DAY COOKOUT & PICNIC:** Monday, Sept. 4th, 1:00 p.m. at Thompson Park, Pavilion 1. Meats and beverages provided. Bring a covered dish and or a dessert. Sponsored by the Chester and St. Clair Avenue Congregations.

**YOUNG ADULT RETREAT:** Sept. 8-10 at Northeast Christian Youth Camp, Lisbon, OH. For ages 18-35, \$25 fee. Food, Fellowship, and Fun. Register at NOCYC.com.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Saturday, Sept. 9th, 8:30 a.m. at the Columbiana Church of Christ. Hosted by the men of the McGuffey Road Congregation. RSVP by Thursday, Sept. 7th by calling (330) 482-0953.

**SECRET SISTER REVEAL:** Sunday, Sept. 10th following the morning worship.

**GOSPEL MEETING:** Sept. 10-13, St. Clair Ave. Church of Christ. Studies in Philippians. **Speaker:** Steve Stevens. Details on the bulletin board.

**LADIES DAY:** Saturday, Sept. 23rd, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., McGuffey Road Church of Christ, Youngstown, OH. Additional details on the bulletin board.

**OUR FALL GOSPEL MEETING:** Sept. 24-28 with Charles Pugh. **One month from today.** Plan to be here for every service and invite others. Printed meeting fliers are on the desk in the foyer.

**PANTRY:** Pancake mix and syrup.

**SICK & SHUT-IN:** *St. Elizabeth Hospital (Rehab):* Nancy Hadley, 1044 Belmont Ave., Room 5516-A, Youngstown, OH 44504. *Weirton Medical (Skilled):* Melissa Rosohac. *At Home:* Linda Parkes, Peggy Linger, Nancy Cox, Blondenia Orr, Barbara DeLong, David Strum, Cheryl Renfro Walker, Lori Rowand (John Sprout's niece). *Fox - Chester:* Mary Johnson (Lois Hissom's sister). *In Ohio:* Herman McHan, 7401 Elmwood Drive, Lisbon, OH 44432.

## HE Is the Source of Everything

*Strength* for your day.

*Wisdom* for your task.

*Comfort* for your soul.

*Grace* for your battle.

*Provision* for each need.

*Understanding* for each failure.

*Assistance* for every encounter.

- Jack Hayford -

*The Encourager*, Southside Church of Christ, Killeen, TX